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Amendments to the Claims:

Please cancel claims 6 and 13. Please amend claims 1, 9 and 15 and add new claims 19-34 as shown in the claim listing below. All pending and canceled claims are listed below. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) An intermittently activated lighting device comprising:
a housing;
a light source within said housing;
a power source within said housing;
means for intermittently activating said light source; [[and]]
a resilient strap ~~or two or more flexible members~~ for removably attaching said housing to a human finger or thumb; and
wherein when activated, a portion of the emitted light is normal to the human finger or thumb.
2. (Original) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 1 wherein the light source is a light emitting diode.
3. (Original) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 1 wherein the power source is a lithium battery.
4. (Original) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 1 wherein the means for intermittently activating the light source comprises applying pressure to a button exposed near a first end of said housing such that said button causes the power source to activate the light source as long as the pressure is applied to the button.

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5. (Previously presented) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 1 wherein the resilient strap is elastic.
6. (Canceled)
7. (Original) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 1 further comprising a flesh-colored sheath for covering said housing.
8. (Original) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 1 wherein the housing is translucent.
9. (Currently amended) An intermittently activated lighting device comprising:
a housing containing a light source and a power source;
a button near one end of the housing whereby applying pressure to said button closes an open electrical circuit to activate said light source; ~~[[and]]~~
~~a resilient strap or two or more flexible members for removably attaching said housing to a human finger or thumb; and~~
wherein when activated, a portion of the emitted light is normal to the human finger or thumb.
10. (Original) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 9 wherein the light source is a light emitting diode.
11. (Original) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 9 wherein the power source is a lithium battery.
12. (Previously presented) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 9 wherein the resilient strap is elastic.
13. (Canceled)

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14. (Original) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 9 further comprising a flesh-colored covering for said housing.

15. (Currently Amended) A method of performing an illusion of manipulating a point of light comprising:

attaching one or more intermittently activated lighting devices to fingers or thumbs, said attaching being facilitated by a resilient strap ~~or two or more flexible members~~; and
applying intermittent pressure to a button at one end of a housing of one or more of the lighting devices such that one or more light sources are intermittently activated and wherein a portion of the emitted light from the one or more light sources is normal to the fingers or thumbs.

16. (Original) The method of claim 15 wherein the light source is a light emitting diode.

17. (Original) The method of claim 15 wherein the light source is powered by a battery.

18. (Original) The method of claim 15 wherein the device has a flesh-colored tone.

19. (New) An intermittently activated lighting device comprising:
a housing;
a light source within said housing;
a power source within said housing;
means for intermittently activating said light source;
two or more flexible members for removably attaching said housing to a human finger or thumb; and
wherein when activated, a portion of the emitted light is normal to the human finger or thumb.

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20. (New) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 19 wherein the light source is a light emitting diode.
21. (New) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 19 wherein the power source is a lithium battery.
22. (New) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 19 wherein the means for intermittently activating the light source comprises applying pressure to a button exposed near a first end of said housing such that said button causes the power source to activate the light source as long as the pressure is applied to the button.
23. (New) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 19 wherein the flexible members are metallic.
24. (New) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 19 further comprising a flesh-colored sheath for covering said housing.
25. (New) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 19 wherein the housing is translucent.
26. (New) An intermittently activated lighting device comprising:
a housing containing a light source and a power source;
a button near one end of the housing whereby applying pressure to said button closes an open electrical circuit to activate said light source;
two or more flexible members for removably attaching said housing to a human finger or thumb; and
wherein when activated, a portion of the emitted light is normal to the human finger or thumb.

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27. (New) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 26 wherein the light source is a light emitting diode.

28. (New) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 26 wherein the power source is a lithium battery.

29. (New) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 26 wherein the flexible members are metallic.

30. (New) The intermittently activated lighting device of claim 26 further comprising a flesh-colored covering for said housing.

31. (New) A method of performing an illusion of manipulating a point of light comprising:
attaching one or more intermittently activated lighting devices to fingers or thumbs,
said attaching being facilitated by two or more flexible members; and
applying intermittent pressure to a button at one end of a housing of one or more of
the lighting devices such that one or more light sources are intermittently activated and
wherein a portion of the emitted light from the one or more light sources is normal to the
fingers or thumbs.

32. (New) The method of claim 31 wherein the light source is a light emitting diode.

33. (New) The method of claim 31 wherein the light source is powered by a battery.

34. (New) The method of claim 31 wherein the device has a flesh-colored tone.